

UPDATE AS OF 1/16/2026: The Snohomish County Health Department has now declared an outbreak after confirming three new measles cases this week in local children who were exposed to the contagious family visiting from South Carolina. Here is the complete press release: [Measles Outbreak Declared in Snohomish County](#)

Spread of measles can occur before people know they have the disease and before any rash appears. The infected children in these 3 cases were at the following public locations before being diagnosed. These times include the estimated period when family members were at the location and two hours after. The measles virus can remain in the air for up to two hours after someone infectious with measles leaves the area. Anyone who was at the following locations during the times listed could have been exposed to measles:

- **Jan. 9, 2026, 8:30 AM to 5:15 PM** – Pathfinder Kindergarten Center (Mukilteo School District), 11401 Beverly Park Rd, Everett, WA, 98204
- **Jan. 9, 2026, 8:30 AM to 5:15 PM** – Serene Lake Elementary School (Mukilteo School District), 4709 Picnic Point Rd, Edmonds, WA 98026
- **Jan. 13, 2026, 1:10 PM to 3:10 PM** – Swedish Mill Creek Campus medical facility, 13020 Meridian Ave. S., Everett, WA, 98208

What to do if you were in a potential location with measles exposure

- Find out if you have been vaccinated for measles or have had measles previously. Make sure you are up to date with the recommended number of MMR vaccinations.
- Call a healthcare provider promptly if you develop an illness with fever or with an unexplained rash. To avoid possibly spreading measles to others, do not go to a clinic or hospital without calling first to tell them you want to be checked for measles after an exposure. It is also important to limit contact with others, especially those without known immunity.